
Issue Brief – Transportation Costs

DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES

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TRANSPORTATION COST

The Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) under the Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) has experienced an increase in transportation costs because of fuel prices. DAAS is requesting an appropriation from General Funds of \$119,000 for FY 2007.

OBJECTIVE

AAA provides transportation services for about 1,200 senior citizens.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

AAA transports the elderly to senior citizen centers, medical visits, shopping, etc. During this last year, the cost of fuel has increased dramatically. The acting director of State Fleet estimates the cost of fuel was up 50 percent over last year but because of the recent drop in rates, it is now approximately 20 percent. The current transportation budget is \$594,900. DAAS is requesting \$119,000 to cover the fuel costs.

RECOMMENDATION

The Subcommittee may want to prioritize this request for funding of \$119,000 for transportation costs.